HOUSE . . . . . . No. 928

By Mr. Jones of North Reading, petition of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to increasing the jurisdictional amount in small claims cases. The Judiciary.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PETITION OF:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr. Susan Williams Gifford Mary S. Rogeness Robert S. Hargraves George N. Peterson, Jr. Daniel K. Webster John A. Lepper Lewis G. Evangelidis Viriato Manuel deMacedo Karyn E. Polito Elizabeth A. Poirier Paul J.P. Loscocco Jeffrey Davis Perry **Shirley Gomes** Donald F. Humason, Jr. Michael J. Coppola Susan W. Pope Todd M. Smola **Bradford Hill** Richard J. Ross

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO INCREASING THE JURISDICTIONAL AMOUNT IN SMALL CLAIMS CASES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21 of chapter 218 of the General Laws,
- 2 as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 3 striking out the words "two thousand dollars", in lines 6 and 35,
- 4 and inserting in place thereof in both instances the following fig-
- 5 ures:— \$5,000.
- 1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and shall
- 2 apply only to such cases as are filed on or after said effective date.
- 3 Nothing in this act shall be construed to deprive any court of this
- 4 commonwealth of jurisdiction over any case filed prior to the
- 5 effective date of this act.

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